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Magalie Roman Salas Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S.W. - Suite TW-A325 Washington, D.C. 20554

Re:

CC Docket No. 01-09

Dear Ms. Salas:

On March 15, 2001, Donna Sorgi, Vice President, Federal Advocacy, WorldCom, Inc., Robert Lopardo, Director, WorldCom, Inc., and Richard Metzger of Lawler, Metzger, and Milkman, counsel to WorldCom, met with Kyle Dixon, Legal Advisor to Chairman Powell to discuss Verizon's application in the above-referenced proceeding. The WorldCom representatives reiterated points previously advanced in the company's comments in this proceeding, particularly Verizon's failure to offer prices for unbundled switching and local loops that complied with the requirements of section 271 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. WorldCom also furnished the attached documents to Mr. Dixon in the course of the meeting.

In accordance with section 1.1206(b)(1) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §1.1206(b)(1), an original and one copy of this letter and enclosure are being provided to you for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceeding.

Robert Lopardo

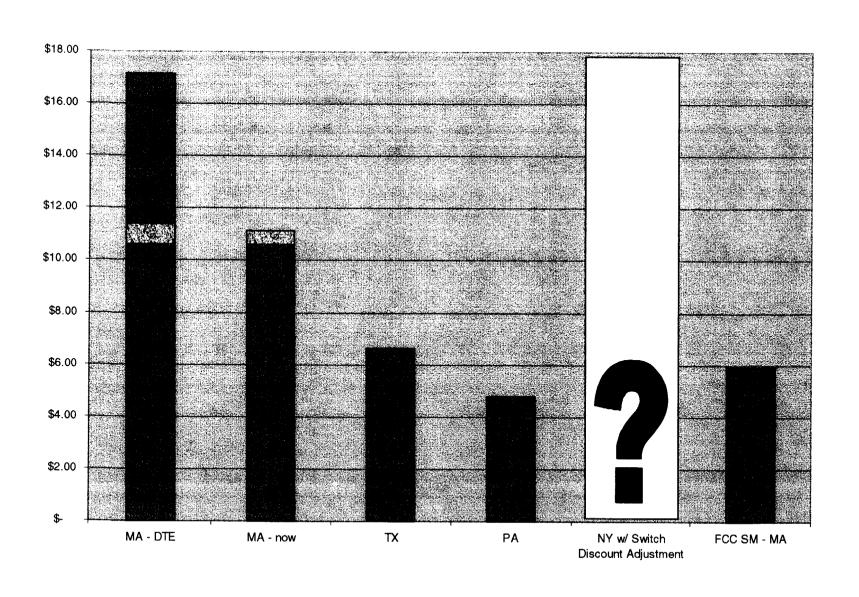
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cc: Kyle Dixon (w/enclosure)

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MA Switching Rates Exceed TELRIC



Loop Rate Is About \$5/Month Too High

- Verizon's loop cost study (adopted by MA DTE) made numerous errors in:
 - Utilization Factors
 - Pole Inputs
 - Cost of NIDs
 - Cost of Cable
 - Cost of Capital
- Using inputs from FCC's Synthesis Model reduces loop rate to \$10.71 instead of Verizon's \$15.66

